

**TENNESSEE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICAL EXAMINERS
POLICY STATEMENT**

**PRACTICING WITHOUT A PREMISES PERMIT, OR
WITH AN EXPIRED PREMISES PERMIT**

Pursuant to T.C.A. § 63-12-139(a), any person who owns or operates a premises where a licensed veterinarian practices or where the practice of veterinary medicine occurs shall apply for and secure a premises permit from the board prior to the commencement of any veterinary medical services.

In the event that a facility's permit expires and the practice of veterinary medicine continues at the facility beyond the permit's expiration date, the supervising veterinarian for the facility shall pay a Type C civil penalty of \$100.00 for each month that the practice of veterinary medicine continued beyond the permit's expiration date.

Should any person be found to be practicing veterinary medicine at an unpermitted facility, the owner and/or operator of such facility shall pay a Type B civil penalty of \$200.00 for each month that the practice of veterinary medicine occurred at the facility while it was without a permit. In the event that a facility is owned and/or operated by a licensee or licensees and one or more laypeople, the licensee or licensees shall be held responsible for payment of any civil penalties.

Adopted by the Tennessee Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners on August 17, 2016.